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Dear FCC,

I have recently learned about the FCC's localism initiative which is covered by **MB Docket No. 04-233** and I would like to provide my feedback on this initiative. I am concerned that it would be possible for new LPFM licenses that would be granted to take precedence over existing FM licenses in use.

While I can appreciate the desire to make local radio stations more available through the use of LPFM licenses, it is my belief that frequently this may not be in a community's best interest.

I live in the greater Denver area in Lafayette Colorado. This community is served by an FM translator station (Frequency 91.1) which is tied into the K-LOVE network of stations (EMF Broadcasting).

The K-LOVE Network provides this community with radio programming that is not available elsewhere in this market (and I would suspect the same can be said about most markets they serve). Christian programming that is positive and uplifting to people adds needed diversity to the airwaves and is a refreshing break from the commercialism and secular programming found on other radio stations. Aside from that, K-LOVE provides LOCAL free airtime to churches and other charity organizations who wish to advertise upcoming events for which they need support or wish to make available to the public. This type of service directly benefits the local community even though the translator is tied to the K-LOVE network national network.

While I probably do not need to remind you that K-LOVE is listener supported, clearly they are meeting a need of the communities they enter when you consider that donating to the radio network is purely voluntary and yet they continue to thrive. That is because people who listen and benefit from the station are willing to pledge their financial support to ensure the continued availability of this non profit organization. That alone speaks strongly of the support the communities served by their signal receive as well as the demand for their style of programming.

If the Denver area translator or others like it were replaced with LPFM signals that had less reach or were granted to other licensees, then the larger local community would lose it's only source for a non commercial radio format as well as their best resource for advertising local Christian services of interest to the community. These services range from concerts to weekend retreats for marriage counseling. I believe that replacing this and other FM stations with local LPFM stations would cause more harm in many communities than good.

K-LOVE programming and their presence through local community FM translators is serving the interest of the public at large as well as the local communities in which they broadcast. Replacing them with LPFM stations would be a detriment not a benefit to the communities that they serve.

I would like to urge that you consider solutions to the localism initiative that would allow existing FM Translators to remain in operation and licensed by their current license holders pursuant to their current license renewal process and restrictions that are in place today.

Thank you for your consideration.

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